

Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana in Jharkhand

997. MS. MABEL REBELLO: Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are retaining Rs. 500 crore due to Jharkhand under Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana; if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) by when this entire money will be released to Jharkhand Government; and

(c) the details regarding the number of roads constructed in Jharkhand under PMGSY during the last five years, district-wise and village-wise alongwith the length of the roads?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) and (b). Since inception of programme, the normative allocation of funds for Jharkhand is Rs. 890 crore. So far, project proposals amounting to Rs. 633.03 crore have been approved, against which a sum of Rs. 561.24 crore have been released. The release of funds is regulated in accordance with Para 19 of the PMGSY guidelines, which lays down that the funds for the cleared projects will be made available to the State Rural Roads Development Agency (SRRDA) in two installments. The 1st installment amounting to 50% of the cleared value of projects, (or annual allocation which ever is lower) is released subject to fulfilment of conditions, if any, stipulated earlier. Further release is subject to utilization of 60% of the available funds and completion of at least 80% of the road works awarded in the year previous to the preceding year and 100% of the awarded works of all the years preceding that year and fulfilment of other conditions, if any, stipulated while releasing the previous installment.

(c) Rural Road is a State subject and the responsibility of the execution of the works is with the concerned State Government. The State Government is required to post detailed information on the projects cleared by the Ministry on web-site www.pmgys.nic.in. So far, projects for 629 road works having 3362.37 kms road length has been approved out of which 464 road works and 2455.92 kms road length has been completed.